Remarks

By this amendment the specification has been changed to reflect prior related applications and to add an abstract on a separate page. The sequence listing has been replaced with a new sequence listing including a reference to the parent PCT application.

An amendment under Article 34 was submitted to the International Preliminary Examining Authority on July 21, 2004, a copy of which is enclosed. Please enter the Article 34 amendment prior to entering the present amendment. The listing of claims set forth above are based on the claims as amended under Article 34. Further amendments are indicated herein. Claims 5, 7, 9, 13-15, 17-19, 29-31, 36-43, 46, 49-51, 53-55, 57-66 are canceled herein, solely to reduce filing fees. Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10-12, 16, 21, 23-28, 32, 34-35, 44-45, 47, 48, 52, 56, and 67 are amended herein. Support for the amendment of claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10-12, 16, 21, 23-28, 32, 34-35, 44-45, 47, 48, 52, 56, and 67 can be found throughout the specification and at least at page 2, lines 19-20. Support for the amendment of claim 32 can be found in the specification at page 31, lines 26-27. Following entry of this amendment, claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10-12, 16, 20-28, 32-35, 44-45, 47, 48, 52, 56, and 67 are pending.

No new matter has been added by these amendments. Examination of the subject application is respectfully requested. If any minor matters remain to be resolved prior to examination of the application, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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